

Pawtucket Canal: Lower Locks
Lowell, Massachusetts
Middlesex County

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DATE: 1841-1843

LOCATION: Across Pawtucket Canal, at junction with Eastern Canal,
Lowell, Massachusetts

DESIGNED BY: Unknown

OWNER; Proprietors of Locks and Canals,
Lowell, Massachusetts

SIGNIFICANCE: The Lower Locks are comprised of two navigation locks and a dam, with a head of 17 feet. They were some of the earliest locks in the Lowell Canal System, originally constructed in the first phase of canal construction in the 1820s, and rebuilt after the opening of the Eastern Canal in 1836. Researchers are referred to HAER No. MA-1, Lowell Canal System for further information.

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